

BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF
SOUTH CAROLINA
DOCKET NO. 97-395-W - ORDER NO. 97-946
NOVEMBER 4, 1997

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IN RE: Request of Duke Water Systems, a)	ORDER
division of Duke Energy Corporation,)	GRANTING
that its Certificated Service Area be)	PETITION TO
Expanded to include Water Service for)	INTERVENE
a Certain Portion of Anderson County)	OUT-OF-TIME
at its Existing Rates and Charges.)	

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("the Commission") on the Petition to Intervene Out-of-Time ("the Petition") filed by Brookstone Water District ("Brookstone"). By its Petition, Brookstone states that it should be allowed to intervene in the proceedings as an indispensable party of record. Brookstone further asserts that its interest cannot be adequately represented by any other party and that its participation will not prejudice any party or cause any delay. As for its Petition being filed "out-of-time," Brookstone offers that its counsel does not routinely practice before the Commission and was not familiar with the Commission's practices and procedures.


Upon consideration of this matter, the Commission finds that Brookstone has stated good cause to be admitted out-of-time as an Intervenor and that no party will be prejudiced by admission of Brookstone as a party of record.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. The Petition to Intervene Out-of-Time filed by Brookstone is hereby granted.

2. This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:


Chairman

ATTEST:


Executive Director

(SEAL)